

Nuckolls County Board Minutes



SEPTEMBER 9, 2013 PROCEEDINGS OF THE NUCKOLLS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Nuckolls County Board of Commissioners met Monday, September 9, 2013 in the Board Meeting Room at the Courthouse, Nelson, Nebraska, per recess of September 3, 2013. Combs, Brown and Corman present for the meeting. The agenda of said meeting was remitted to board members in advance of the meeting and is posted in the County Clerk's office and on the County Website. Combs announced the 'Open Meetings Act Law' as posted in the Commissioners Board Meeting Room and handouts are available.

The board reconvened at 8:59 a.m. Chairman Combs approved the Agenda as submitted and the September 3, 2013 minutes as submitted. Chuck Mittan, News reporter for the Superior Express is present for the meeting.

Cindy Buescher, Road Department Executive Secretary met with the Board to update them on the current activities of the County Road Department. Buescher announced that Gary Warren was absent due to being ill. The Road Department is busy on Project C-65(536), Road J, between 4250 to 4300, Nora Precinct. The project is about half completed. The Road employees are also working on mowing county road ditches by bridges & guardrails; they are still blading in some areas of the county also. The Nelson shop has some equipment in getting maintenance work this week. Discussion on a broken shaft on the mower was held. The wiring harness on the motorgrader is fixed. Warren has been working on easement right-of-ways for a project. Buescher noted they are having trouble at the Nelson east shop with no electricity. Looking into getting it fixed. Also discussed is work that is being done on the Oak Road. Buescher also noted that a pipe structure was damaged by a semi truck last week. It is being negotiated with the driver of the semi as to paying the costs to fix the pipes. It was also noted the pipes are being picked up in Kearney for a project recently bid today.

Jeff Wagner, Mainelli Wagner & Assoc. met with the Board to update them on the current status on Bridge, Culverts & Pipes projects in the County in which Wagner has been working on. Wagner noted that October 7th he is planning a bid letting on a box culvert project.

A motion was made by Brown to authorize Chairman Combs to sign the Request from Windstream Nebraska, Inc. to place a buried communications facilities on public right-of-way within Nuckolls County, located on Road 4100, South of the Clay/Nuckolls County line near Edgar, Nebraska and Corman seconded the motion. Combs voted aye, Brown voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Corman to accept the corrected copy of the County Clerk's August 2013 Board Report as submitted. Combs voted aye, Brown voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Tim Stutzman, Emergency Manager/Noxious Weed Superintendent met briefly with the Board to submit his mileage report for August 2013. A motion was made by Brown to accept the mileage record for the Emergency Manager/Noxious Weed Superintendent for the month of August 2013 and Corman seconded the motion. Combs voted aye, Brown voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Stutzman also updated the Board on an allowable charge on his EMPG report to the Nebraska Emergency Management for reimbursement of 50% of employee benefits given by the County such as health insurance, retirement benefits, etc. This had not previously been submitted by the County. Stutzman noted we would not see this on his latest reimbursement but will show on the one after this which is being submitted now. Stutzman also updated the Board on the current status of the Little Blue River Riparian Project. He noted they have gone over budget on the project which started at Campbell (Franklin County) and proceeded east to Clay County



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where it is currently at a halt until more funds are received through grants. The project has not been in Nuckolls County and will have to wait. Others on the project are working with Stutzman to contact the abutting land owners to the Little Blue River who have not given permission to clean up the river in their area.

A motion was made by Brown to accept the 911 Center Inventory as submitted, Combs seconded the motion. Combs voted aye, Brown voted aye, Corman voted aye, 0 voted nay. Motion carried.

Terry Madson met with the Board to give them an update on the Water Commission meeting for the Little Blue Natural Resource District last Tuesday. No decision was made regarding a Moratorium, however Madson will be meeting with the Little Blue NRD Board tomorrow night and present his concerns and the Nuckolls County letter of support with them at that time. Madson also will be meeting with Clay County Superintendents tomorrow, Tuesday, September 10, 2013 and have asked Nuckolls County Board's permission to show them our letter of support. The Board noted it is a public record and therefore have no problem with it. Madson noted he has also attended the 517 Task Force meeting with the Senators and has invited Annette Duboise and Tom Carlson to a Townhall Meeting (not scheduled at this time) regarding this issue.

There being no further business the meeting was recessed at 10:07 a.m. until Monday, September 16, 2013.

Michael D. Combs, Chairman

By: Jackie L. Kassebaum, County Clerk